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Food & Drug Administration
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Docket # 98N-1265
5630 Fishers Lane, Room 1061 MAR 23 A9 54
Rockville MD 20852

Dear Sirs:

Amend the Memorandum of Understanding so as not to be so restrictive that the pharmacies that use natural ingredients, such as plant-based hormones, ie. natural estrogens and who make micronized progesterone won't be put out of business. Please do not make things so restrictive such as the fact that they won't be able to sale more than 5% of their sales out-of-state. I need my natural hormones and I am really upset about this!

All citizens should be able to access these wonderful and necessary plant based hormones. The U.S. is a democracy and there should be room for all products. If the huge drug companies who pay or bribe you with their \$8 million for NDA's and for 8 years of biased data are afraid of losing compition, you need to remember that you are working for we taxpayers!

We don't have enough areas in the U.S. that have these products available and you are discriminating in favor of the big companies who make Premarin and Provera. I know of a near death from the side effects, (a blood clot) and adverse reactions. You are supposed to be there to protect the consumer, not the interests of the big drug companies!

Sincerely,

Florence L. Okey

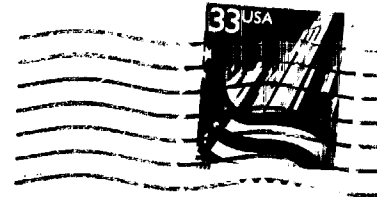
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